# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	§ 8	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
INJURY LITIGATION	\$ \$ 8	MDL No. 2323
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THE DOCLDANT DELATES TO	\$ §	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	§ §	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
Form Complaint and	§	CONCUSSION INJURY
•	<b>§</b>	LITIGATION
BRODERICK THOMAS, ET AL	§	
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V.	§	
	§	
THE NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE	§	
USDC, SDTX NO. 4:12-cv-02875	8	
USDC, EDPA NO. 2:12-cv-05953-AB	§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

### **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), Paul Wiggins and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) \_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS'

  CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4. [Fi	ill in if applicable] Plaint	iff is filing this case in a	a representative capacity
as the	of	, having been	duly appointed as the
	By the	Court of	(Cross out
Sentence below	if not applicable.) Co	pies of the Letters of	Administration/Letters
Testamentary for	a wrongful death claim	are annexed hereto if s	uch Letters are required
for the commenc	ement of such a claim b	by the Probate, Surroga	ate or other appropriate
court of the jurisd	liction of the decedent.		
5. Pla	aintiff, Paul Wiggin	S	_ is a resident and
citizen of <u>Ed</u>	lina, Minnesota	and claims	damages as set forth
below.			
6. [Fi	ill in if applicable] Plainti	iff's spouse,	, is a
resident and citize	en of	and claims damages	as a result of loss of
consortium proxim	mately caused by the harr	n suffered by her Plaint	iff husband/decedent.
7. On	n information and belief,	the Plaintiff (or decede	ent) sustained repetitive,
traumatic sub-con	ncussive and/or concuss	sive head impacts duri	ng NFL games and/or
practices. On in	nformation and belief,	Plaintiff suffers (or de	ecedent suffered) from
symptoms of bra	ain injury caused by th	e repetitive, traumatic	sub-concussive and/or
concussive head i	impacts the Plaintiff (or	decedent) sustained du	ring NFL games and/or
practices. On info	formation and belief, the l	Plaintiff's (or decedent'	s) symptoms arise from

injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.

8.	[Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter
was filed in t	the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston Division. If the case is
remanded, it	should be remanded to the USDC, Southern District of Texas, Houston
Division.	
9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;
	Injury to the Person Represented;
	Wrongful Death;
	Survivorship Action;
	✓ Economic Loss;
	Loss of Services;
	Loss of Consortium.
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a
loss of consor	tium, including the following injuries:
	loss of marital services;
	loss of companionship, affection or society;
	loss of support; and
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to
expend for the	heath care and personal care of her husband.
11.	[Check if applicable] $\checkmark$ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)
reserve(s) the	right to object to federal jurisdiction.

# **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; \_\_manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) \_\_ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1957 to 1967 for the following teams: Cleveland Browns.

#### **CAUSES OF ACTION**

16. Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by Reference in those Counts [check all that apply]: ✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL); ✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]); \_\_ Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]); Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]); Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]); Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants]); ✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]); ✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the Riddell Defendants]);

Riddell Defendants]);

Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the

	✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against
	the NFL Defendants]).
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or
attach]:	
	PRAYER FOR RELIEF
Whe	erefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment
as follows:	
A.	An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be
	determined at trial;
B.	For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
C.	For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern
	this action:

An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and

D.

E.

F.

of equitable relief;

For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;

For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form

G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## JURY DEMANDED

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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